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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW and RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Price trends on slaughter heifers were very uneven over the Corn Belt. Steer prices were steady to 25¢ higher at most terminals with instances 50¢ up. However, Standard to average-Good steers closed steady to 25¢ lower at Sioux City and Kansas City, and Choice and Prime offerings weighing above 1200# 25-75¢ lower at Chicago under the influence of liberal mid-week marketings. Slaughter heifers sold steady to 50¢ higher aside from the steady to 50¢ lower trends at Omaha and Chicago. Slaughter cows closed steady to 50¢ lower. Stocker and feeder cattle and calves sold steady to 50¢ higher. Declines on dressed pork influenced 25¢-\$1.00 lower trends on barrows and gilts over most of the midwest. Slaughter lambs closed steady to 50¢ higher at most markets.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES - Slaughter steers retained the rather sharp advance of the previous week for the most part. Cattle receipts at the 12 markets were 3 percent below the previous week and carcass beef prices ranged from steady to \$1.00 higher at major wholesale centers. However, the Columbus Day holiday and two non-koshering Jewish holidays the latter part of week were bearish influences. Prices ranged from steady to 25¢ higher, instances 50¢ up at the majority of the midwest markets. However, at Chicago liberal receipts at midweek influenced a 25-75¢ decline on Choice and Prime 1200-1530# steers and at Sioux City and Kansas City Standard to average Good steers closed steady to 25¢ lower. Slaughter heifers sold steady to 50¢ higher, except steady to 25¢ lower at Chicago and steady to 50¢ off at Omaha. Cow prices were steady to 50¢ lower. Bulls sold steady to \$1.00 lower; vealers were steady at St. Paul and St. Louis. Slaughter steers and heifers continued to make up the bulk of the receipts at most terminals although cow numbers increased at some points. Good and Choice offerings predominated in the steer and heifer supply with high-Choice and Prime in small supply. However, the percentage Prime in the steer run at Chicago Wednesday at 24 percent was the largest of the year.

Several loads of mostly Prime 1175-1350# steers brought \$26.75-27.00 at Chicago where the bulk of the Choice and Prime steers sold from \$23.75-26.50 including many loads of Choice and mixed Choice and Prime 1350-1530# weights from \$23.75-25.00. At other points a few loads of high-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime steers sold at \$24.50-26.00 with high-Choice 1535# steers at \$23.25 in Omaha. Bulk of the high-Good and Choice steers sold from \$23.00-25.00 with a few high-Choice 1050# to \$25.75 at Chicago. Good steers brought \$21.50-22.75 and most Standard and low-Good cashed from \$18.00-21.50. High-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime

slaughter heifers brought \$23.75-25.00 while most Choice sold at \$22.00-24.00; Good and low-Choice \$20.50-22.50. Utility and Commercial cows bulked \$13.00-15.50, Canners and Cutters \$10.00-13.50.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES - The movement of stocker and feeder cattle and calves from range and pasture to market continued large. Shipments of steers and calves from the ten markets totaled about 73,000 compared to 64,000 the previous week and 76,000 a year ago. The movement of cattle from the southwest decreased somewhat but this was offset by a seasonal increase in numbers from western and northwestern mountain areas. Overall quality continued at a relatively high level with a large proportion of the supplies being made up of average Good to high-Choice offerings. Yearling and two-year-old steers predominated but numbers of calves, while not overly liberal, showed some increase over earlier weeks this season. Heifer supplies generally were very moderate. Although receipts included many cattle weighing under 650#, not many were in really thin flesh, reflecting the good grazing conditions this season. Favorable early fall weather conditions and abundant supplies of all types of feeds encouraged a widespread demand and there was a large attendance of buyers at most midwest markets. Trading generally was fairly active at prices unevenly steady to 50¢ higher.

Scattered shipments of Choice 600-650# stock steers brought \$26.00-26.50 and at St. Paul 2 loads Choice 725# brought \$26.00 and a package of Choice and Fancy 600# at that market reached \$27.00. Meanwhile, majority Good and Choice 525-700# stock steers sold from \$22.00-25.50, Medium and low-Good \$18.00-22.00. Several loads, Choice, partly fattened, 930-1025# feeders brought \$24.00-24.50 and a few loads of Choice 800-825# steers off grass sold from \$23.75-24.00. However, bulk Good and Choice 800-1050# steers sold from \$20.50-23.50 with very few over 900# above \$23.00. Medium to low-Good feeders cashed from \$17.50-20.50. Good and Choice yearling heifers brought \$19.00-23.00, few \$23.35. Few loads Choice stock steer calves brought \$29.00-30.00 and one load Choice and Fancy 305# Wyoming calves reached \$32.00 at Omaha. Other Good and Choice steer calves sold chiefly from \$23.00-28.00. Good and Choice heifer calves realized \$20.00-26.00, few 250# \$28.00.

HOGS - Terminal Markets - Receipts at the 12 terminals increased 9 percent over the previous week and were the largest for any week since mid-June. Despite the increase, supplies were 13 percent below the corresponding week last year. There was the normal seasonal increase in barrows and gilts weighing 250# and heavier, but mixed U. S. 1-3, and No. 2-3, 190-250# barrows and gilts continued to predominate throughout the area. At most markets the supply under 190# and over 270#

was too small to provide a basis for quotations. Prices followed an irregular course throughout the week. Upturns were general during the first half of the period. However, under the influence of increased receipts and lower dressed pork prices, demand narrowed considerably late Wednesday and through the balance of the week. As a result the early advance was more than erased and closing prices on barrows and gilts were generally 25¢-\$1.00 lower for the period. Sows were steady to 25¢ lower over much of the area but steady to 50¢ higher at Indianapolis and steady to 25¢ higher at Kansas City.

At the close of the week U. S. 1, and U. S. 1-2, and at some points uniform U. S. 1-3, 190-250# barrows and gilts sold at \$17.50-18.35; mixed U. S. 1-3, and No. 2-3, 180-280# \$16.75-18.25, largely \$17.00-17.75. U. S. 1-3, 270-550# sows brought \$13.25-16.50, most sales \$13.50-16.00.

Prices on feeder pigs were strong to 50¢ higher at Sioux City and St. Paul. Good and Choice 130-170# feeder pigs sold late at \$16.00-16.50 at both markets with a few Choice \$16.75 at Sioux City and Medium and Good at that market \$15.50.

Average cut-out value advantage of U. S. No. 1 over No. 3 live basis 200-220# barrows and gilts was \$1.08 per cwt. based on wholesale carlot prices of fresh pork cuts at Chicago October 6 to October 12, 1960, inclusive.

HOGS - Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota Area - Receipts were around 9 percent larger than the previous week, but about 12 percent less than the corresponding week last year. Demand was generally good and prices fully steady through Wednesday, but demand was rather poor late under the influence of fairly liberal supplies and rather sharp price declines were recorded. Closing prices were 50-60¢ lower on both butchers and sows. Late sales of mixed No. 1-3 200-240# butchers were at \$16.25-17.00 with some No. 1 and 2 selected lots \$17.00-17.50; No. 1-3 270-400# sows sold at \$14.25-16.15, 400-550# \$12.60-14.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Receipts of sheep and lambs at the 12 markets were little changed from a week earlier but 12 percent under a year ago. Woolled slaughter lambs predominated in the receipts although shorn slaughter lambs and feeder lambs continued to show a seasonal increase. Higher prices for dressed lamb at wholesale centers prompted a fairly good demand for slaughter lambs and prices closed strong to fully 50¢ higher, instances \$1.00 up. Slaughter ewes were steady. Feeder lamb prices were uneven, largely steady to 50¢ lower.

Choice and Prime 82-113# woolled slaughter lambs sold from \$17.50-18.50 late in the period and to \$19.00 at a few markets; Good and Choice \$16.00-18.00, large share \$16.50-17.50; Utility and Good \$12.50-16.50. Choice and Prime 85-113# shorn slaughter lambs with No. 1-2 pelts brought \$17.50-18.00, instances \$18.50; load Choice and

Prime 110# lambs with No. 1 pelts \$19.25 at Chicago. Good and Choice shorn slaughter lambs \$16.00-17.50, some sales \$18.00. Cull to Choice slaughter ewes ranged from \$2.00-5.25.

Most Good and Choice 62-90# western feeder lambs brought \$15.50-16.75; Choice 49-75# \$16.50-17.00; load high-Choice 57# western feeders \$17.75 at Omaha. Good and Choice native feeders \$13.50-15.50. Good and Choice solid mouth breeding ewes \$9.00-12.00 per head; part deck Good and Choice two-year-old breeding ewes \$17.00 each at Sioux City.

Sheep and lamb receipts in the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area were 29 percent over a week earlier but **little changed from last year**. Slaughter lambs were 50¢-\$1.00 higher than the previous week's close. Slaughter ewes were steady. Seasonally increased marketings of shorn lambs comprised around 40 percent of the lamb supply. On Friday, Choice and Prime 80-105# woolled and shorn slaughter lambs with No. 1 and 2 pelts sold from \$17.00-18.00; Good and Choice sold at \$15.50-17.25; Cull to Choice slaughter ewes \$2.00-4.00.

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Note: Shrink on most range and feedlot sales none to 5 percent, mostly 4 percent f.o.b. some with short haul and 3 percent shrink. All sales for immediate delivery unless specified.

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, AND UTAH - Direct trading active on slaughter steers and heifers out of California and Arizona feedlots with prices firm to 50¢ higher, several transactions calling for November delivery; stocker and feeder cattle and calves steady; slaughter lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: Loadlots high-Good and Choice 960-1100# \$23.50-24.00; average-Good to low-Choice 900-1160# \$22.25-23.25; 73 loads Good to mostly Choice mainly 1100-1350# \$22.00-22.50; Good and low-Choice 900-1300# \$21.00-22.50; Standard to low-Good 950-1125# \$19.00-21.00. Slaughter heifers: High-Good and Choice 800-975# \$22.00-23.00, few loads at \$23.00 carrying end of Prime; mostly Choice 900-1025# \$21.00; Good and mixed Good and Choice 800-950# \$21.00-21.75; Standard and Good 750-875# \$20.00-21.00.

Stockers and feeders: About 900 Choice 600-650# steer yearlings \$22.00; Good and Choice 600-850# steers \$19.50-21.25, with 550-700# heifers \$18.50-19.00; Good and Choice 350-550# mixed calves and short yearlings \$22.50-25.00 on steers and \$20.00-23.00 on heifers.

Slaughter lambs: In California, 2 loads Choice and Prime 95# woolled lambs \$18.00; loadlots mostly Choice 90-110# shorn with No. 2 to fall shorn pelts \$17.00-17.50, Good to mostly Choice 105-118# \$16.00-16.75. In Utah, mostly Choice and Prime woolled 95-105# lambs \$17.00.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN NEBRASKA, AND WESTERN KANSAS - Demand Good for

slaughter cattle with trading active. Slaughter steers sold strong to 25¢ higher, heifers steady to 25¢ higher. In Colorado 35 loads average to high-Choice 1075-1300# slaughter steers \$25.25-25.75; 135 loads Choice 1000-1400# \$24.50-25.25; 47 loads average-Good to average-Choice 950-1225# \$23.50-24.40; 20 loads mostly Good 1050-1175# \$21.00-23.00. Thirty-nine loads average and high-Choice 925-1050# slaughter heifers \$23.50-24.00; 81 loads mostly Choice 875-1000# \$23.00-23.40.

Demand good for stocker and feeder cattle and calves with direct sales and contracts on over 11,000 head confirmed at steady to 50¢ lower prices. Wyoming: 700 Good and Choice 575-650# steers \$22.00-22.75, with 500 same grades 550-575# heifers \$20.00-20.75. Colorado: 120 mostly Choice 640# steers \$24.00; 450 Good and Choice 650-725# \$22.50-23.00; 300 Medium to mostly Good 700# steers \$20.50. Around 1,600 Good and Choice 600-675# heifers \$20.25-22.00, mostly \$20.75-21.50; 700 Good and Choice 350-375# steer calves \$25.00-27.00. Sandhills of Nebraska: Around 2,800 Good and Choice 600-775# steer yearlings \$23.00-24.50; 525 mostly Choice 625-650# heifers \$21.90-22.20. Over 3,000 Good and Choice calves with 375-440# steers \$27.00-31.00 and 350-400# heifers \$24.00-26.50.

Sales and contracts on over 35,000 head of sheep and lambs confirmed at steady prices. In Colorado Choice and Prime 90-95# range slaughter lambs brought \$18.50-18.75 with a few Choice 86-96# San Luis Valley lambs \$17.25-17.75 delivered to packing plants. Choice and Prime 93-104# range slaughter lambs \$16.75-17.25 f.o.b. Western Slope weighing point. Good and Choice 67-76# feeder lambs \$16.00-16.25, few Choice 72-75# feeders \$16.75-17.00 early. Northern Colorado: 14 loads Choice and Prime 100-120# shorn slaughter lambs \$17.50-17.85. In Wyoming Good and Choice 68-78# whiteface feeder lambs mostly \$15.50-15.75. Western Nebraska: 5 loads Choice and Prime 105-115# woolled slaughter lambs \$18.25 delivered.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Clovis area - Trading active, stockers and feeders steady to strong, slaughter steers and heifers steady. Around 20 loads Good and Choice 1025-1350# slaughter steers \$23.00-24.00; 35 loads mostly Good 900-1250# \$21.00-22.25; 18 loads Good and low-Choice 680-930# slaughter heifers \$21.50-22.50. About 7,000 stocker and feeder steers; Good and Choice 700-775# \$20.50-23.00, Medium and Good 700-800# \$19.00-21.00; Good and Choice 575-675# stock steers \$20.50-23.00. About 650 Good and Choice 570-680# heifer yearlings \$19.00-21.00, bulk \$20.50-21.00; 1,600 Good and Choice 360-500# stock calves; steers \$23.00-25.00, heifers \$21.00-24.00; 600 Common and Medium stock cows \$10.00-10.50.

Amarillo Area - Slaughter steers and heifers steady to 25¢ higher, stockers and feeders steady. Three loads mostly Choice 1125#

slaughter steers delivered to plant \$23.75; 25 loads Good and Choice 785-1100# slaughter heifers \$21.50-23.00. Around 2,000 mostly Choice 750-860# feeder steers \$21.00-21.25; 1,100 Good and Choice 560-584# stock steers \$21.50, Medium and Good 700-975# feeders \$17.00-20.00; 800 Good and Choice 500-675# heifers \$20.00-21.00; Good and Choice 350-475# stock calves, steers \$24.00-26.00, heifers \$22.00-24.00.

IDAHO, OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Slaughter steers and heifers generally steady; stocker and feeder cattle and calves mostly steady; slaughter lambs steady to 25¢ lower.

Slaughter steers: Washington - Good to mostly Choice 1000-1100# \$24.00-24.50, load Choice 940# \$25.00. Idaho - Mostly Choice 1050-1150# \$22.50-23.00. In Idaho and Washington Good and Choice and mostly Choice 850-1050# slaughter heifers brought \$20.75-22.50.

Stockers and feeders: Washington - Good and Choice 550-700# steers \$21.00-22.60. Good and Choice 425-500# stock steer calves \$25.00-25.25 with 400# heifer calves \$21.00. Idaho - Good and Choice calves \$24.00 on steers and \$21.00 on heifers. Oregon - Good and Choice 550-650# steers \$21.50-22.00 with 725-800# \$19.00-20.00. Good and Choice 660-700# yearlings, \$20.00 on steers and \$17.50 on heifers. Good and Choice 400-450# steer calves \$25.00, few heifers \$22.00.

Choice and Prime woolled slaughter lambs \$17.00-17.50 in Washington and Idaho.

MONTANA, NORTHERN WYOMING AND WESTERN DAKOTAS - Direct trade on stocker and feeder cattle and calves slow. Prices generally steady to weak. In Montana, sales were confirmed on 1,365 Good and Choice yearlings; steers around 650-750# at \$21.50-23.50 with 625-675# heifers \$20.00-21.00; 200 Good bred stock cows \$195.00 per head. Northern Wyoming, 1,000 Choice 535-680# stock steers \$23.00-23.25; 300 Medium and Good 980# stock cows \$13.75.

Confirmed sales on stock calves totaled around 5,000. In Montana, 350 high-Choice and Fancy around 375-380# steers \$28.00; 2,500 Good and Choice 375-450# steers \$23.00-26.00; majority Good and low-Choice steers \$24.00-25.00; heifers \$21.00-24.00. Northern Wyoming, about 500 Choice and Fancy 300# steers from reputation brand \$90.00 per head; 1,750 high-Good to mostly Choice 250-400# steers \$25.00-26.00; heifers \$22.00-24.00.

Sales were confirmed on 15,000 sheep and lambs at steady prices. In Montana, 3,400 Good and Choice 70-85# feeder lambs \$14.00-15.00; 2,700 Good and Choice mixed age breeding ewes \$5.00-10.00 per head. Northern Wyoming, 2,300 Good and Choice around 60-65# feeder lambs \$15.50-15.75; 5,500 Good and Choice 57-82# \$15.00; 700 Good and Choice 125# yearling ewes \$18.00 per head; 700 Good short-term breeding ewes \$6.00 per head.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Chicago	40,427	43,607	272	996	32,352	35,274	3,857	4,634
Cincinnati	4,603	3,688	778	741	11,088	13,610	1,645	1,891
Denver	15,832	25,970	1,137	2,344	4,384	3,674	53,755	63,838
Fort Worth	15,646	10,354	2,028	4,380	2,113	2,399	5,645	5,623
Indianapolis	8,575	7,509	927	693	36,019	39,142	4,119	3,664
Kansas City	28,361	29,627	2,793	3,133	16,073	17,370	3,712	5,130
Oklahoma City	15,738	16,988	3,772	5,170	4,205	3,962	646	1,607
Omaha	43,673	44,371	2,769	3,122	36,514	46,071	23,294	20,674
St. Joseph	16,583	17,316	958	1,216	27,226	27,168	4,262	7,335
St. Louis NSY	20,372	17,097	3,306	3,152	54,223	62,680	4,602	5,924
Sioux City	33,857	33,057	3,928	4,715	34,781	39,731	15,738	15,980
S. St. Paul	24,456	25,959	10,882	9,161	54,472	67,914	22,263	26,409
Total	268,123	275,543	33,550	38,823	313,450	358,995	143,538	162,709
" Oct. 8, 1960	276,833		29,547		288,208		139,403	

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA

	Oct. 15, 1960	Oct. 8, 1960	Oct. 17, 1959
Hogs	390,000	357,000	443,000
Sheep	32,400	25,100	32,800

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended		Month		Three Months	
	Oct. 13	Oct. 6	Oct. 15	Sept.	Sept.	July-Sept.
	1960	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
Steers - 1001# up	568	744	1,193	2,848	4,575	5,793
901-1000	1,735	2,127	3,841	9,544	13,973	21,236
801-900	5,547	5,728	6,777	20,962	24,863	45,748
701-800	12,598	11,285	14,620	35,043	35,879	72,012
501-700	27,542	22,590	25,488	79,333	81,165	160,610
Total steers 10 markets	47,990	42,474	51,919	147,730	160,455	305,399
Av. wts. " " "	695#	704#	718#	706#	716#	705#
Av. cost* " " "	\$21.96	\$21.51	\$24.83	\$21.58	\$26.04	\$21.46
" " " Chicago	21.41	21.31	25.52	22.17	26.87	22.79
" " " Kansas City	21.37	20.93	23.88	20.91	25.38	21.17
" " " Omaha	23.65	23.11	26.54	23.01	27.22	22.71
" " " S. St. Paul	21.97	22.62	23.35	21.47	24.94	20.94
" " " Sioux City	22.93	22.78	26.36	23.07	27.16	23.05
" " " Denver	22.61	22.17	26.12	22.55	26.83	22.39
" " " Ft. Worth	19.04	19.43	22.77	18.95	25.09	19.94
" " " Oklahoma City	19.34	18.80	21.81	19.36	24.55	19.82
" " " S. St. Joseph	20.27	19.16	22.62	20.51	24.95	20.75
" " " St. Louis NSY	19.57	19.55	23.24	20.43	24.37	20.84
Total calves - 10 markets	25,023	22,306	23,962	67,438	75,286	190,732
" heifers " " "	7,469	7,627	8,509	27,345	33,995	54,951
" cows " " "	1,289	820	1,658	2,822	3,613	8,536

* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market.

ESTIMATED PERCENT OF STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha	S. St. Joseph	St. Louis NSY	Sioux City	S. St. Paul	Indianapolis	Denver	Ft. Worth	Oklahoma City	Wichita	San Antonio
Stockers and feeders													
Oct. 14, 1960	5	53	28	19	15	31	20	14	45	75	72	62	60
Oct. 7, 1960	2	52	34	16	14	34	15	12	45	75	75	58	60
Oct. 16, 1959	7	60	35	16	15	34	10	18	17	70	90	77	50
Slaughter cows													
Oct. 14, 1960	5	9	8	8	16	6	25	10	20	20	13	14	10
Oct. 7, 1960	5	10	9	11	14	6	20	10	18	20	14	15	10
Oct. 16, 1959	5	10	8	13	11	5	25	5	8	20	7	11	15

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/								
Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	Oct. 13 1960	Oct. 15 1959	Oct. 13 1960	Oct. 15 1959	Oct. 13 1960	Oct. 15 1959	Oct. 13 1960	Oct. 15 1959
CHICAGO								
Prime.....	4,005	2,738	15.4	9.7	1,242	1,275	25.90	28.22
Choice.....	16,854	20,408	64.7	72.5	1,161	1,157	25.03	27.20
Good.....	4,390	4,279	16.8	15.2	1,029	1,066	23.86	26.08
Standard.....	604	644	2.3	2.3	997	978	22.03	24.12
Commercial.....	4	--	.0	--	1,531	--	21.50	--
Utility.....	208	87	.8	.3	969	1,043	20.26	21.88
All grades.....	26,065	28,156			1,146	1,150	24.91	27.08
OMAHA								
Prime.....	221	259	1.3	1.9	1,144	1,173	25.07	27.28
Choice.....	9,480	6,646	57.3	48.3	1,143	1,128	24.01	26.01
Good.....	5,739	6,106	34.7	44.3	1,075	1,080	22.59	24.62
Standard.....	875	700	5.3	5.1	1,071	1,023	20.12	22.55
Utility.....	229	51	1.4	.4	1,031	853	18.71	20.75
All grades.....	16,544	13,762			1,114	1,101	23.28	25.25
ST. LOUIS CITY								
Prime.....	167	188	1.4	1.7	1,140	1,229	25.47	27.22
Choice.....	6,995	6,739	57.7	61.0	1,133	1,152	24.09	26.13
Good.....	4,309	3,595	35.6	32.6	1,072	1,070	22.88	24.87
Standard.....	600	453	4.9	4.1	1,050	1,040	20.52	23.09
Utility.....	46	67	.4	.6	943	1,013	18.63	21.66
All grades.....	12,117	11,042			1,106	1,122	23.51	25.61
KANSAS CITY								
Prime.....	14	50	.2	.8	1,124	1,148	25.50	28.00
Choice.....	2,823	2,387	41.1	41.1	1,130	1,137	24.11	26.64
Good.....	3,325	2,828	48.4	48.7	1,095	1,118	22.60	24.45
Standard.....	649	510	9.5	8.8	1,074	1,013	19.78	21.84
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	58	36	.8	.6	1,004	1,058	17.65	18.03
All grades.....	6,869	5,811			1,107	1,116	22.94	25.15
ST. LOUIS NSY								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	911	683	16.9	14.1	1,100	1,078	25.02	26.97
Good.....	3,383	3,239	62.5	67.1	1,042	1,069	23.83	25.50
Standard.....	792	590	14.6	12.2	963	1,025	21.11	23.06
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	322	320	6.0	6.6	900	984	17.85	20.54
All grades.....	5,408	4,832			1,032	1,060	23.36	25.11
S. ST. JOSEPH								
Prime.....	16	7	.2	.1	1,200	1,082	26.00	27.48
Choice.....	3,417	2,464	51.1	43.3	1,117	1,129	24.14	26.04
Good.....	2,917	2,726	43.7	47.8	1,104	1,075	22.69	24.34
Standard.....	334	485	5.0	8.5	1,064	1,029	19.86	21.70
Utility.....	--	15	--	.3	--	961	--	17.86
All grades.....	6,684	5,697			1,109	1,094	23.31	24.87
DENVER								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	1,968	938	72.2	63.8	1,188	1,122	25.02	26.49
Good.....	753	526	27.6	35.7	1,068	1,105	23.78	25.09
Standard.....	5	7	.2	.5	1,009	1,038	18.00	21.00
Utility.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
All grades.....	2,726	1,471			1,154	1,116	24.69	25.97

1/ Data collected by Agricultural Estimates, and Livestock Divisions, A.M.S.

WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

City or Area	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Boston, New York City Area...	10,052	11,869	9,177	7,227	55,642	49,285	34,674	29,500
Baltimore, Philadelphia.....	9,011	7,701	2,013	1,858	30,183	25,025	3,072	4,532
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls...	20,148	19,020	5,509	4,927	131,437	140,955	13,071	18,360
Chicago Area.....	18,023	17,458	7,174	6,072	30,911	32,543	7,043	8,818
St. Paul-Wisc. Areas.....	32,472	28,336	24,106	23,372	112,620	121,368	27,562	13,877
St. Louis Area.....	13,781	9,944	3,554	3,916	71,335	87,377	4,286	3,549
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area...	25,001	21,028	--	--	99,026	117,304	21,533	22,468
Omaha Area.....	40,933	33,846	205	150	78,746	88,392	17,171	19,596
Kansas City.....	17,390	18,521	--	--	32,869	55,441	--	--
Iowa - So. Minnesota.....	35,154	34,406	10,919	10,729	305,649	369,775	36,458	39,429
Lou'l. Evan'l. Nash'l. Mph's....	8,280	7,471	4,973	2,271	51,005	48,148	--	--
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area...	9,167	4,708	4,981	1,217	26,936	18,442	--	--
St. Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City..	20,659	21,379	1,345	2,439	44,297	69,419	8,706	13,887
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio..	14,822	9,282	5,168	5,242	12,568	21,545	31,085	16,117
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City..	20,333	17,717	226	263	15,240	14,777	42,301	28,165
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas...	30,283	26,018	881	859	26,013	35,931	35,671	27,991
Portland, Seattle, Spokane...	8,552	7,412	582	414	15,690	19,326	7,724	6,834
Total.....	334,061	296,116	80,813	70,956	1,140,167	1,315,053	290,357	253,123
Accumulation to date.....	12,569,807		2,805,466		44,927,620		10,028,163	
		11,356,038		2,625,154		45,580,806		9,373,423

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and mutton		Total meat	Total lard
	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	prod.	prod.
	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	mil.lb.	mil.lb.
Oct. 15, 1960	410	237.4	117	13.9	1,305	176.3	320	15.0	442.6	--
Oct. 8, 1960	420	243.2	120	14.3	1,235	167.6	315	14.8	439.9	--
Sept. 24, 1960 1/.....	412	--	127	--	1,252	--	300	--	--	39.8
Oct. 17, 1959 1/.....	355	208.2	105	12.3	1,490	203.2	280	13.1	436.8	47.8

Percentage change from:

Oct. 8, 1960	-2	-2	-2	-3	6	5	2	1	1	--
Oct. 17, 1959	15	14	11	13	-12	-13	14	14	1	--

Week ended	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs		Lard yield per 100 lb.
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	
	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	
Oct. 15, 1960	1015	579	210	119	235	135	97	47	--
Oct. 8, 1960	1015	579	210	119	236	136	96	47	--
Sept. 24, 1960	1005	578	205	118	237	136	95	46	--
Oct. 17, 1959	1029	586	206	117	235	136	96	47	13.7

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		North Portland	
	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.
	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
<u>Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers</u>										
Steers -										
Prime 900-1100#	26.18	28.45	--	--	25.60	27.70	--	--	--	--
1100-1300	26.20	28.48	--	--	25.50	27.78	--	--	--	--
Choice 900-1100	25.18	27.45	24.62	26.68	24.32	26.52	25.00	26.54	24.75	27.72
1100-1300	25.18	27.40	24.50	26.52	24.22	26.60	25.00	26.54	23.88	--
Good 900-1100	23.62	25.62	22.38	24.48	22.38	24.48	21.42	23.75	23.25	26.59
Standard - All wts.	21.88	23.75	19.50	20.82	20.12	22.18	18.00	20.75	20.50	24.38
Heifers -										
Choice* 700-900#	23.85	--	23.62	25.75	22.75	25.45	23.12	25.34	22.88	--
Good** 600-800	--	24.10	21.38	23.75	20.70	23.48	20.38	23.00	21.88	25.50
Standard - All wts.	19.80	22.15	18.75	20.38	18.78	21.65	17.00	20.00	19.25	23.50
Cows - All weights -										
Commercial	14.75	17.25	15.50	17.15	14.88	17.20	--	17.50	16.50	18.50
Utility	14.00	15.55	14.22	15.65	13.62	15.85	14.00	16.00	15.00	16.62
Cutter	13.00)		13.00)		12.50)		12.02)		12.50)	
Canner	11.00)	13.92	11.35)	13.38	11.62)	13.85	10.58)	13.65	10.25)	13.00
Bulls - All weights -										
Commercial	16.65	20.75	15.20	18.50	16.50	20.00	--	--	--	21.75
Utility	16.90	19.50	15.95	17.75	16.50	19.55	18.10	20.50	19.50	22.50
Calves - 500# down -										
Choice	--	--	19.75	24.10	--	--	--	--	--	--
Good	--	--	18.00	22.95	--	--	--	--	21.00	26.00
Standard	--	--	16.00	20.10	--	--	--	--	19.00	23.00
Vealers - All wts. -										
Choice	24.70	--	22.00	29.25	21.50	27.50	--	--	26.00	31.00
Good	23.00	30.50	20.00	26.50	19.25	25.75	--	--	24.00	28.50
Standard	19.50	27.50	17.50	24.25	16.50	23.25	--	--	20.50	24.50
<u>Feeder and stocker cattle and calves</u>										
Steers -										
Choice 500-800#	25.50	30.15	24.32	28.25	24.62	29.50	24.02	28.00	22.00	26.25
Good 500-800	23.00	26.95	22.00	25.25	22.25	25.92	22.55	25.25	20.00	24.50
Medium 500-1000	20.25	24.45	19.50	21.80	19.38	22.82	19.50	22.50	18.50	21.75
Heifers -										
Choice 500-750#	--	--	22.30	24.45	22.75	26.50	21.80	25.00	20.75	24.75
Med. & Gd. 500-750	--	--	19.25	20.35	19.50	23.25	19.30	22.00	17.50	21.25
Cows - All wts. -										
Med. & Gd.	--	--	14.38	16.25	14.00	18.00	12.40	17.00	--	--
Calves - 300-500# -										
Steers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	25.82	30.30	26.50	33.25	25.02	32.00	22.00	27.25
Heifers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	22.75	26.60	24.25	30.50	23.25	27.90	20.00	26.50

*Weight range 600-800# in 1959.

** " " 700-900# " "

HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS

In dollars per 100 pounds

	Chicago			Interior			St. Louis			Omaha			Indianapolis			St. Joseph			Kansas City			Peoria		
Classification																								
	So. Minnesota			Stock Yards																				
	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.		
	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17	15	17		
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959		
Barrows and gilts -																								
U. S. No. 1 & 2																								
180-200#	18.22	12.88	--	--	18.34	13.28	17.22	13.25	18.46	13.30	17.70	13.13	17.46	--	--	17.85	13.02							
200-220	18.52	13.25	17.25	--	18.38	13.40	18.08	13.40	18.54	13.46	18.04	13.46	17.84	13.32	18.05	13.08								
220-240	18.52	13.23	17.25	--	18.38	13.40	18.05	13.42	18.52	13.41	18.00	13.42	17.88	13.32	17.98	13.00								
U. S. No. 2 & 3																								
200-220	18.28	13.06	16.97	--	18.11	13.08	17.72	13.14	18.32	13.13	17.49	13.10	17.58	13.05	17.68	12.82								
220-240	18.28	13.05	16.97	--	18.11	13.08	17.72	13.14	18.27	13.11	17.49	13.11	17.66	13.04	17.72	12.80								
240-270	18.18	13.00	16.75	--	17.94	12.98	17.62	13.00	18.02	12.94	17.42	13.04	17.58	13.02	17.55	12.52								
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3																								
180-200	18.05	12.76	16.32	12.03	18.18	13.08	16.75	12.78	18.24	13.00	17.42	12.78	17.43	12.80	17.65	12.95								
200-220	18.39	13.08	17.04	12.66	18.18	13.20	17.88	13.24	18.42	13.26	17.66	13.16	17.70	13.16	17.85	13.02								
220-240	18.39	13.10	17.04	12.55	18.18	13.19	17.88	13.24	18.38	13.24	17.66	13.18	17.74	13.16	17.78	12.93								
240-270	18.30	--	16.85	12.30	17.97	13.03	17.65	13.02	18.15	12.95	17.58	--	17.64	13.15	17.50	12.72								
Sows - U.S.1,2 & 3																								
270-330	--	12.22	15.74	11.93	16.24	12.15	16.32	12.45	16.44	11.96	15.82	12.35	15.90	12.42	16.00	11.88								
330-400	15.70	11.70	15.24	11.30	15.68	11.55	15.58	12.02	15.50	11.40	15.25	11.95	15.28	11.88	15.25	11.25								
400-550	14.48	10.82	14.10	10.05	14.65	10.68	14.72	11.48	14.72	10.65	14.62	11.25	14.55	11.05	14.65	10.50								
South																								
Classification	St. Paul			Sioux City			Sioux Falls			Cincinnati			Fort Worth			Thomasville			Baltimore			North Portland		
Barrows and gilts -																								
U. S. No. 1 & 2																								
180-200#	17.68	12.80	17.64	12.94	--	--	18.39	12.92	--	--	18.32	12.58	19.72	14.19	19.75	15.31								
200-220	18.08	13.20	17.83	13.24	17.55	12.92	18.68	13.24	--	--	18.32	12.58	19.72	14.38	19.75	15.31								
220-240	18.08	13.20	17.83	13.21	17.55	12.92	18.44	12.98	--	--	18.32	12.58	--	--	19.38	14.81								
U. S. No. 2 & 3																								
200-220	17.52	12.60	17.66	13.14	17.40	12.76	18.61	13.16	18.12	13.47	17.75	12.02	--	--	19.00	--								
220-240	17.52	12.60	17.66	13.15	17.40	12.76	18.39	12.89	18.06	13.38	17.75	12.02	--	--	18.75	--								
240-270	17.52	12.60	17.54	13.12	17.25	12.76	18.20	12.62	17.84	13.03	17.15	11.60	--	--	18.00	--								
U. S. No. 1,2 & 3																								
180-200	17.40	12.12	17.62	12.93	--	--	18.38	12.92	--	--	17.78	12.22	19.50	14.16	--	14.56								
200-220	17.52	12.68	17.70	13.18	17.44	12.86	18.68	13.16	18.25	13.62	17.78	12.22	19.72	14.25	--	14.56								
220-240	17.52	12.68	17.70	13.18	17.44	12.86	18.46	12.89	18.19	13.47	17.78	12.22	19.56	14.13	--	14.31								
240-270	17.52	--	17.61	13.15	17.30	12.86	--	--	17.88	13.09	--	--	--	--	--	13.50								
Sows - U.S.1, 2 & 3																								
270-330	16.02	11.88	15.85	12.42	15.82	11.90	15.45	11.48	15.06	11.91	14.35	9.20	15.88	--	15.50	12.38								
330-400	15.28	11.25	15.22	11.90	15.20	11.42	14.88	10.88	14.94	11.31	13.85	8.45	15.25	--	14.75	11.00								
400-550	14.20	10.62	14.35	11.08	14.35	10.55	14.37	10.25	14.78	10.50	13.10	7.70	14.12	--	13.38	10.00								
Feeder pigs - All wts.																								
Good and Choice	16.55	10.50	16.06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--							

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

Week ended		Chi- cago	St. Louis Natl. Stock Yards	Kan- sas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indian- apolis	8- mkts. com- bined
AVERAGE COST -		Dollars per 100 pounds								
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 15, 1960	18.23	18.07	17.67	17.80	17.67	17.63	17.53	18.30	17.87
	Oct. 8, 1960	17.97	17.85	17.36	17.51	17.44	17.43	17.22	18.10	17.63
	Oct. 17, 1959	13.09	13.07	13.10	13.15	13.12	13.11	12.64	13.19	13.04
Sows	Oct. 15, 1960	14.91	15.26	14.76	15.14	14.76	15.08	14.74	14.79	14.93
	Oct. 8, 1960	15.15	15.10	14.72	14.94	14.91	14.96	14.50	14.54	14.85
	Oct. 17, 1959	11.07	11.22	11.53	11.68	11.34	11.73	10.90	10.85	11.22
AVERAGE WEIGHT -		Pounds								
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 15, 1960	227	218	228	229	229	226	227	223	225
	Oct. 8, 1960	225	216	230	229	228	225	225	223	224
	Oct. 17, 1959	225	216	225	227	230	224	222	223	223
Sows	Oct. 15, 1960	416	386	417	409	400	386	389	440	404
	Oct. 8, 1960	403	375	389	405	400	372	389	445	398
	Oct. 17, 1959	423	384	393	402	406	379	399	412	402
NUMBER OF HEAD -										
Barrows and gilts	Oct. 15, 1960	24862	48833	14249	29899	29263	23742	40360	30543	241751
	Oct. 8, 1960	23127	43102	13483	28238	26028	19491	33340	26698	213507
	Oct. 17, 1959	25177	56044	14613	37917	34099	23498	42785	33393	267526
Sows	Oct. 15, 1960	3278	3811	1064	4352	3547	2199	5605	3323	27179
	Oct. 8, 1960	4033	4080	1147	4424	3485	2071	5471	3027	27738
	Oct. 17, 1959	4628	4770	1155	5916	3850	2174	7901	3786	34180
SOWS		Percentage of total								
Oct. 15, 1960		12	7	7	13	11	8	12	10	10
Oct. 8, 1960		15	9	8	14	12	10	14	10	11
Oct. 17, 1959		16	8	7	13	10	8	16	10	11

1/ Weighted average.

WEEKLY AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG, COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

	Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
Oct. 15, 1960	\$19.85	\$18.39	\$1.46
Oct. 8, 1960	19.67	18.12	1.55
Oct. 17, 1959	15.76	13.08	2.68

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn, 2/ No. 3, yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
Oct. 15, 1960	18.23	110.9	16.4
Oct. 8, 1960	17.97	110.8	16.2
Oct. 17, 1959	13.09	109.4	12.0

1/ Weighted average. 2/ Simple average.

SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Port-land
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Wooled) - 110# down								
Prime	Oct. 15, 1960	18.88	18.00	17.45	--	18.62	17.25	--
	Oct. 17, 1959	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	Oct. 15, 1960	18.32	17.38	17.15	16.75	17.68	16.25	16.16
	Oct. 17, 1959	20.75	19.72	19.70	19.25	20.60	18.25	18.84
Good	Oct. 15, 1960	16.50	16.22	16.15	15.95	16.52	15.25	15.50
	Oct. 17, 1959	19.42	18.42	18.90	18.75	19.25	17.50	18.00
EWES: (Shorn) - All wts.								
Good and	Oct. 15, 1960	4.50*	3.50*	3.60	--	4.62	3.50	4.25*
Choice	Oct. 17, 1959	4.30*	4.62	4.45	--	--	4.75*	4.50*
Cull and	Oct. 15, 1960	4.38*	3.38*	2.70	5.12	3.38	2.25	3.25*
Utility	Oct. 17, 1959	3.50*	3.62	3.50	5.50	3.12	2.75*	3.00*
FEEDER LAMBS - All wts.								
Good and	Oct. 15, 1960	--	15.75	--	13.25	16.25	15.00	14.50
Choice	Oct. 17, 1959	--	18.88	--	16.25	18.95	17.50	15.50

*Wooled basis.

LIVESTOCK PRICES AT CHICAGO COMPARED WITH WHOLESALE AND COMPOSITE RETAIL
MEAT PRICES AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL MEAT VALUES AT NEW YORK

	Steers			Lambs			Hogs		
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960	1959
Live animal prices									
Chicago 1/..... Dollars per 100 pounds									
Chicago 1/.....	25.42	25.66	28.26	19.24	20.06	21.13*	16.89	17.08	13.91
Wholesale meat prices, New York 2/ Cents per pound									
Wholesale meat prices, New York 2/	43.17	43.80	48.72	43.40	43.95	47.56	--	--	--
Composite retail meat prices, New York 3/ Value of carcass meat from 100# live animal (Dollars)									
Composite retail meat prices, New York 3/	76.51	76.03	76.62	66.94	66.62	67.06	--	--	--
Value of carcass meat from 100# live animal (Dollars)									
Wholesale-New York 4/	25.90	26.28	29.23	21.27	21.54	23.30	20.80	21.29	20.05
Retail - New York 5/	35.96	35.73	36.01	31.60	31.44	31.65	28.49	28.27	26.70

1/ Av. Choice and Prime steers, 900-1100 lb., Choice and Prime spring lambs, and U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3, 220-240# hogs.

2/ Av. Choice and Prime steer beef, 600-800#, and Choice and Prime spring lamb.

3/ Composite av. of semi-monthly retail quotations on various cuts (incl. lard) combined in proportion to their respective yields from live weights.

4/ 60 lb. of beef carcass, 49 lb. of lamb carcass and 60.43 lb. of principal hog products consisting of smoked, skinned hams, bacon, picnics, fresh loins, Boston butts, spareribs, and carton lard combined in proportion to their respective yields from live weight.

5/ 47.0 lb. of beef cuts, 47.2 lb of lamb cuts and 58.56 lb. of principal hog products, incl. lard.

*Choice grade only.

WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

LESS THAN CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

EASTERN SEABOARD - Supplies of rail stocks were mostly normal and receipts of pork moderate to normal. Demand for fresh meats was generally good this week, although at some markets movement was less prompt than during the week previous. Slowness, notably applied to activity for beef hinds and ribs when compared to extremely broad outlet for chucks. Clearance was fairly complete in all divisions. However, there were accumulations of steer hinds and ribs at Philadelphia and some ribs at New York proved troublesome late and clearance was accomplished mostly through price concessions.

Steer beef sold steady to \$1.00 higher with advances of 50¢-\$1.00 at New York; cow beef steady to \$1.00 lower; veal and calf mostly steady; lamb steady to \$2.00 lower at all markets except New York where prices advanced 50¢-\$1.00; pork loins steady to \$2.00 higher, with some upturn at all points except New York, where sales were mainly on a steady basis; other pork cuts steady to \$2.00 higher except a steady to \$1.00 lower trend at Washington. Trading was generally moderately active for kosher dressed meats. Prices for kosher steer forequarters were strong to \$1.50 up, bulk 50¢-\$1.00 higher. Kosher lamb foresaddles sold strong to \$2.00 higher while a steady trend prevailed for kosher veal and calf fores.

CHICAGO - Normal supplies of beef, lamb and fresh pork along with moderate veal offerings were adequate for demand. Good and Choice beef offered most liberally. Carcass beef trading was only moderately active. Chucks and rounds found broad outlet at 50¢-\$1.00 higher prices while the price pattern on ribs and loins was weak to lower in a generally dull trade. The volume of Choice and Prime veal was somewhat increased but these were still the first to clear in a moderate trade, while more abundant offerings of Utility to Good veal sold in a slow trade. Lamb trading was fairly active. Lamb hindsaddles and particularly legs were readily absorbed, while on the other hand dealers pushed all available outlets in an effort to clean up stews and shoulders. Fresh pork trade was slow throughout. Prices on steer and heifer beef were steady; veal steady to \$1.00 lower; lamb steady; pork loins 50¢-\$1.50 lower; Boston butts and spareribs \$1.00-1.50 lower.

PACIFIC COAST - Beef was in moderate supply with the demand rather poor except broad at Los Angeles. Beef chucks were fairly active but hindquarters were slow. Veal and calf was in moderate supply with demand fair. Fresh pork supply was moderate with supplies in San Fran-

cisco short of actual needs. Smoked pork was in ample supply for a continued limited demand.

Good and Choice steer and heifer beef was weak to \$1.00 lower except at Los Angeles where prices ruled strong to \$1.00 higher. Veal and calf was mostly steady while lamb sold steady at California points but weak to \$1.00 lower in the Northwest. Fresh pork was steady to \$2.00 higher, with most advance in San Francisco. Smoked hams were steady, instances \$2.00 higher in the Northwest and \$3.00 higher in Los Angeles. Other smoked pork sold steady and lard prices were largely unchanged.

CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

MIDWEST CARLOT DRESSED MEAT SUMMARY -

Based on reports from major slaughtering centers -- Omaha, Kansas City, Sioux City, Sioux Falls, St. Paul, St. Joseph, St. Louis and the Interior Iowa and So. Minnesota area. (Prices F.O.B. plant basis).

Steer and heifer beef supplies were about normal and demand was moderate. Normal supplies of lamb and pork met fairly good demand. Clearance was generally complete on all classes. Choice steer and heifer beef sold mostly steady for the week, Good steer beef steady to 50¢ lower; Utility cow beef steady to mostly 50¢ lower; Choice and Prime 35-55# lamb carcasses 75¢-\$1.00 higher; pork loins steady to \$1.00 lower; fresh hams steady to 50¢ lower; butts \$1.00-1.50 lower; pork sides mostly steady. Choice 600-700# steer carcasses brought \$39.00-39.50 late in the week with 700-800# \$38.50-39.25, some \$39.50; Good 600-700# \$36.75-37.75, few high-Good \$38.00-38.25; Good 700-800# \$36.00-37.75; Choice 500-700# heifer beef \$37.00-37.50, some \$38.00. Utility cow beef realized \$26.00-28.00, mostly \$26.00-27.00. Choice and Prime 35-55# lamb bulked at \$37.25-38.25. Pork loins 8-12# brought \$47.00-49.00; fresh hams 12-16# \$40.00-41.50; butts 4-8# \$33.50-35.00; U. S. 1, 2 and 3 135-155# pork carcasses \$24.67-26.25, 155-175# \$24.85-25.75.

CARLOT SUMMARY - Chicago, Denver, New York, and Philadelphia. Sales volume of meats was about normal except at New York and Philadelphia where purchases of steer beef were moderate. The week's trend on steer beef was largely steady except Good carcasses closed steady to mostly 50¢ lower at New York. Heifer beef sold steady at Chicago and steady to 50¢ higher at Denver; cow beef steady to 75¢ lower. Carlots of lamb sold strong to \$1.50 higher with a large volume fully \$1.00 up. Pork loins declined \$1.00 to mostly \$1.50 at Chicago but advanced 50¢ at Philadelphia.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES - LESS THAN CARLOT BASIS
 Weekly average of daily quotations in dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
		Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 15	Oct. 17
		1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Steer beef -									
Prime	700-800#	44.00	48.50	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice	600-700	43.00	45.75	42.50	44.15	39.38	43.88	39.00	43.00
	700-800	42.50	44.75	40.50	43.20	37.50	42.50	37.31	41.50
Good	500-600	41.75	44.00	40.50	42.12	38.50	43.50	36.62	42.00
	600-700	41.75	44.00	40.50	42.12	37.00	41.50	35.62	40.50
Heifer beef -									
Choice	500-600#	---	---	40.50	---	39.50	---	38.31	---
	600-700	---	---	40.50	---	37.00	---	37.12	---
Good	500-600	---	---	39.25	---	---	---	35.62	---
Veal -									
Prime	90-120#	54.00	60.90	52.50	55.00	---	---	---	---
Choice	90-120	49.00	49.00	50.50	49.50	---	---	---	---
Good	90-120	40.50	46.00	45.50	46.00	49.00	55.00	---	---
Lamb -									
Prime	45-55#	41.90	45.80	40.75	---	---	---	40.50	44.00
Choice	45-55	41.55	44.10	40.75	44.25	40.00	41.00	40.50	44.00
Fresh pork -									
Loins	8-12#	54.50	47.45	51.68	43.25	56.00	47.50	54.00	48.62
Butts	4-8	40.50	36.80	38.37	30.25	44.00	40.00	41.00	36.62
Spareribs	3# down	43.00	41.40	39.25	34.85	50.00	47.50	41.88	43.62
Cured pork -									
Hams, smk. skd. -(Cook before eating)	12-16#	45.00	42.50	51.50	44.50	47.50	48.00	47.50	44.50
Bacon, smoked, sliced - 1# package (box lots)		48.00	41.50	51.25	42.00	53.00	47.00	52.00	44.38
Picnics, smoked - (Cook before eating)	4-8#	32.50	31.00	35.00	33.75	31.50	33.00	33.00	31.25
Lard, 1# carton		14.00	12.75	14.00	12.50	17.00	15.50	15.50	13.94

BULK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 14, 1960

Classification		Prices paid F.O.B.			Prices delivered	
		Chicago	Denver	Omaha	New York	Philadelphia
Steer beef -						
Choice	600-700#	39.50-40.00	38.50-39.00	38.75-39.25	41.50-42.00	41.50-42.00
	700-800	39.00-39.50	38.00-38.50	38.50-38.75	40.75-41.50	40.50-41.50
Good	800-900	38.50	37.00-37.50	37.50-37.75	40.00-40.50	39.50-40.50
	500-600	38.00-38.50	--	--	39.50-40.50	--
	600-700	38.00-38.50	34.00-37.50	37.00-38.25	39.00-40.00	37.00-40.50
	700-800	37.50-38.00	34.00-37.50	36.50-37.25	38.50-40.00	37.00-40.00
Heifer beef -						
Choice	500-600#	37.75-38.00	38.00	37.00-37.25	--	--
	600-700	37.75-38.00	36.50-37.00	37.00-37.25	--	39.50-40.50
Good	500-600	36.00-36.50	--	35.00-35.50	--	--
	600-700	36.00-36.50	--	35.00-35.50	--	--
Cow beef - All weights -						
Utility		26.50-27.50	26.00-28.00	26.00-26.50	--	28.00-29.00
Canner and Cutter		26.25-27.00	--	25.50-26.00	--	27.00-27.50
Lamb -						
Prime	35-45#	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-38.25	40.00-42.50	40.00-41.00
	45-55	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-38.25	40.00-41.00	40.00-41.00
	55-65	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-37.75	40.00-41.00	--
Choice	35-45	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-38.25	40.00-42.50	40.00-41.00
	45-55	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-38.25	40.00-41.00	40.00-41.00
	55-65	38.50-39.00	36.25-37.75	37.25-37.75	40.00-41.00	--
Fresh pork -						
Loins	8-12#	48.50-49.50	--	48.50-49.00	--	50.00-51.00

BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Trading on greasy domestic worsted wools in the Boston market continued slow but with more interest in graded 50/54s fleeces. Prices were slightly lower. Movement of woolen wools and noils was extremely slow. A fair volume of greasy quarter-blood sold in the fleece wool States and occasional lots of original bag 12 months good French combing and staple sold in Texas. Sales in the territory States were very limited.

Midweek cables from Australia showed eastern Europe, Japan and England participating. There was a poor selection of mostly B and C fault fleeces offered at Sydney. The Melbourne market showed a good selection of topmaking merino comebacks and crossbreds offered with the Continent, Japan and England dominating with prices holding steady to firm. Prices at South African markets held firm with France the principal operator. There were occasional offerings of carpet type wools from New Zealand at about steady prices. The South American markets continued dull, but with occasional sales of coarse wools sold for shipment to the United States.

Fleece Wools - There was more activity in medium fleece wools as graded 50/54s sold around \$1.03-1.04 clean basis. Dealers estimated graded 56/58s fleece wool from \$1.02-1.07.

Territory Wools - Trading remained slow.

Texas Wools - Original bag average style 12 months good French combing and staple wools held steady around \$1.12 and choice delaine type wools brought from \$1.15-1.18 clean basis, delivered Boston. Approximately one million pounds of fall wool will be offered at sealed bid sale at Del Rio on October 18 and 19.

Mohair - Turnover of mohair was very dull with occasional small lots of original bag wools at 76½¢ for adult and \$1.11½ for kid hair to the warehouse; straight kid hair \$1.50-1.60 to the warehouse.

Foreign Wools - Trade in spot foreign wools slow. Cabled quotations at week's end follow with combing wools converted to clean U. S. oil-combed yields and short wools to scouring yields, in bond.

Australia	
Oil-combed	
77B - \$1.03	432 - \$.93
78B - 1.00	433 - .91
79B - .95	434 - .87
	435 - .82

Montevideo Super skirted

60/64s - 92¢	56/58s - 86¢
60s - 90¢	56/50s - 84¢
58/60s - 88¢	50s - 83¢

South Africa

Oil-combed		Scoured yields	
2 -	\$1.10	17 -	\$1.00
7 -	1.06	22 -	.98
12 -	1.04	27 -	.94
47 -	1.04	28 -	.91
48 -	1.01	32 -	.90
52 -	1.01	33 -	.88
53 -	.99		

Carpet Wools - Trading was limited.

Greasy Buenos Aires November second clip carpet wool sold for shipment at 69-70¢ clean fibers present. Dealers quoted greasy Buenos Aires fleeces at 71-72¢ and March second clips at 67¢, all clean fibers present for shipment. The first sale for the season in New Zealand will open at Dunedin on October 19.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

Scoured Pulled Foreign

Aust. 60s	2-2½" choice white	\$1.19
Aust. 58/60s	2-2½" choice white	1.16

Wool tops - The wool tops market was quiet. Quotes follow:

Warp Aust. D/C	Warp Dom. D/C
70s - \$1.80 N	\$1.74
64s - 1.74 N	1.68
62s - 1.68 N	1.60
60s - 1.63 N	1.51 N
58/60s - 1.59 N	1.43 N

Oil-combed	Territory	Fleece
58/60s - \$1.57 N	\$1.41 N	--
56s - --	1.43	\$1.41
50/56s - --	1.41	1.38
58/50s - --	--	1.35

(N - nominal)

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - Oct. 13, 1960
(Furnished by the Wool Associates of the New York Cotton Exchange)

October wool tops -	\$1.44
December wool tops -	1.44
64s grade - 2.55" minimum length	
October wool -	\$1.073
December wool -	1.095
64s grade - 2½" ave. stretched length	

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF MEATS

Commodity	Aug. 1960	Aug. 1959
	Pounds	Pounds
Exports (Domestic) -		
Beef and veal -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	678,922	507,767
Pickled or cured (except canned)	1,824,245	1,272,583
Pork -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	1,612,856	1,443,372
Hams and shoulders, cured or cooked	503,009	1,969,561
Bacon	304,158	1,840,072
Pork, pickled, salted or otherwise cured, n.e.c..	1,547,932	970,128
Sausage, bologna & frankfurters (except canned) .	152,851	199,321
Meat and meat products (except canned) n.e.c. . . .	189,668	2,152
Beef and pork livers, fresh or frozen	4,671,613	4,471,002
Beef tongues, fresh or frozen	3,216,591	2,222,835
Variety meats, n.e.c. (except canned)	2,646,803	1,622,664
Meat specialties, frozen, n.e.c.	344,818	324,447
Canned meats -		
Beef and veal	92,469	409,646
Sausage, bologna and frankfurters	70,044	100,990
Hams and shoulders	43,687	51,434
Pork, canned, n.e.c.	266,831	550,562
Meat and meat products, n.e.c.	117,543	417,560
Lamb and mutton (except canned)	154,178	29,644
Lard (includes rendered pork fat)	51,185,791	39,534,510
Shortenings, animal fat (excl. lard).	22,640	119,840
Tallow, edible	693,487	652,676
Tallow, inedible	109,070,493	107,499,217
Inedible animal oils, n.e.c.	464,701	943,186
Inedible animal greases and fats, n.e.c.	13,997,456	10,464,329

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF LIVESTOCK

	Aug. 1960	Aug. 1959
	Number	Number
Cattle (For breeding) -		
Dairy	1,640	618
Ex. dairy	677	435
Other (ex. for breeding)	817	134
Hogs	588	2,313
Sheep	1,301	998

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS PREPARED AND PROCESSED
UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Product	Week ended -			
	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.	Oct.
	10	17	24	1
	1960	1960	1960	1960
	<u>1,000#</u>	<u>1,000#</u>	<u>1,000#</u>	<u>1,000#</u>
Placed in cure -				
Beef <u>1/</u>	2,656	3,420	3,155	3,683
Pork <u>1/</u>	55,599	69,650	66,614	65,627
Other <u>1/</u>	46	297	38	146
Smoked and / or dried -				
Beef <u>1/</u>	648	1,064	1,092	1,120
Pork <u>1/</u>	44,052	53,155	50,257	50,827
Cooked meat -				
Beef	1,706	1,861	1,850	1,799
Pork	4,229	5,318	5,183	4,893
Other	59	44	31	54
Sausage -				
Fresh finished	4,018	4,960	5,037	5,395
To be dried or semi-dried	2,261	2,805	2,999	2,693
Franks, wieners	12,041	13,042	12,230	12,440
Other, smoked or cooked .	12,673	14,577	13,762	14,367
Loaf, head cheese, chili, jellied products	3,526	4,345	4,230	4,702
Steaks, chops, roasts . . .	10,187	12,570	12,641	12,819
Meat extract	23	52	15	15
Sliced bacon <u>1/</u>	21,163	23,454	21,795	20,741
Sliced, other <u>1/</u> <u>2/</u>	5,632	6,420	6,571	6,577
Hamburger	4,421	5,594	6,016	6,518
Miscellaneous meat product.	2,753	4,146	4,608	4,731
Lard, rendered	28,666	37,002	38,188	37,521
Lard, refined	22,097	28,522	30,609	28,025
Oleo stock	1,044	1,070	1,233	1,305
Edible tallow	7,922	8,231	7,693	8,251
Rendered pork fat -				
Rendered	1,343	1,648	1,643	1,573
Refined	772	882	1,068	1,033
Compound cont'g. animal fat	12,431	14,460	15,884	15,064
Oleomargarine " " "	1,561	2,216	1,631	1,826
Canned product (for civilian use and Dept. of Defense).	25,822	36,057	37,871	38,899
Total <u>1/</u>	289,353	356,861	353,943	352,645

1/ This figure represents "inspection pounds" as some of the products may have been inspected and recorded more than once due to having been subjected to more than one distinct processing treatment, such as curing first, then smoking, slicing.

2/ Includes sliced dried beef, sliced sausage, loaves, etc.

Meat Inspection Branch, Agricultural Research Service.

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS PREPARED AND PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - CONTINUED

Product	Week ended - 1960				Week ended - 1960				Week ended - 1960			
	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Sept. 31	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Sept. 31	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Sept. 31
	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over	3 lb. or over
	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#
Canned product (For civilian use only)												
Luncheon meat	2,151	1,678	2,764	2,161	2,695	2,211	2,830	2,564				
Canned hams	4,436	60	5,366	46	5,789	74	5,829	141				
Corned beef hash	117	362	106	877	142	812	103	1,352				
Chili con carne	206	3,060	259	3,333	289	3,637	458	4,388				
Viennas	41	831	90	1,235	53	1,220	56	1,129				
Franks, wieners in brine . .	--	1	1	52	2	33	1	116				
Deviled ham	--	165	--	226	--	233	--	233				
Other potted or deviled meat												
food products	--	413	10	602	--	719	--	672				
Tamales	15	608	34	1,102	146	455	64	553				
Sliced dried beef	12	42	3	47	6	45	3	54				
Chopped beef	--	153	--	141	--	276	--	227				
Meat stew (all products) . .	65	1,741	40	2,064	115	1,046	92	1,768				
Spaghetti meat products . .	38	2,014	95	1,833	114	2,991	145	2,443				
Tongue (other than pickled) .	3	48	1	19	--	27	3	33				
Vinegar pickled products . .	134	292	191	339	225	365	230	382				
Bulk sausage	--	53	--	12	--	80	--	61				
Hamburger, rstcd. or corned												
beef, meat & gravy	165	325	178	786	130	628	243	611				
Soups	48	915	51	4,900	49	5,937	638	5,224				
Sausage in oil	119	70	126	75	219	104	149	93				
Tripe	--	93	--	55	--	45	--	55				
Brains	--	27	--	47	--	20	--	39				
Canned loins and picnics . .	409	51	437	40	532	45	503	45				
All other with meat and/or												
meat byproducts -												
20% or more	137	989	160	1,532	261	1,546	167	1,432				
Less than 20%	279	2,874	307	4,192	311	3,714	218	3,172				
Total	8,375	16,866	10,217	25,714	11,077	26,262	11,732	26,787				

Note: See footnote at bottom of page 788.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, SEPTEMBER 30, 1960

Refrigerated warehouse stocks of red meats declined 63 million pounds during September, compared with reductions of 24 million last year and 32 million, the September average decline. Holdings totaled 398 million pounds on October 1. These national stocks, although 16 percent above average holdings, were 2 percent below a year earlier. A seasonal gain of 9 million pounds in beef stocks during September exceeded those of a year earlier and the average. October 1 stocks of beef totaled 162 million pounds-5 percent below holdings on the same date last year, but 30 percent above the 1955-59 average. Reduction in pork stocks of 67 million pounds during September exceeded reductions last year by 47 million and average by 40 million. October 1 stocks totaled 154 million pounds, equalling average holdings but 6 percent below October 1, 1959. All frozen pork items declined during September.

UNITED STATES STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, SEPT. 30, 1960 WITH COMPARISONS
(Includes holdings in public, private and semi-private
cold storage houses and meat packing plants)

Commodity	September 1955-59 av.	September 1959	August 1960	September 1960
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Beef:				
Frozen	115,070	160,477	142,263	151,748
In cure and cured	10,294	10,612	10,814	10,712
Total	125,364	171,089	153,077	162,460
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	1/	4,370	8,691	4,862
Hams	1/	19,397	50,286	38,928
Bellies	1/	22,455	44,691	17,000
Other frozen pork cuts	1/	74,817	77,643	59,305
Total	97,326	121,039	181,311	120,095
Pork in cure or cured:				
Dry salt bellies	1/	5,636	6,125	3,896
Other dry salt pork	1/	5,414	5,212	3,837
Other pork cuts	1/	31,358	28,017	26,207
Total	56,537	42,408	39,354	33,940
Total pork	153,863	163,447	220,665	154,035
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	9,525	7,517	7,799	8,922
Lamb and mutton, frozen	9,559	13,736	13,434	12,824
Canned meats in cooler	46,106	52,450	65,944	60,053
Total all meats	344,417	408,239	460,919	398,294
Lard, rendered and refined 2/	81,167	93,000	112,700	4/
GOVERNMENT HOLDINGS 3/ -				
Pork	5,190	2,228	2,448	2,563
Beef	4,053	1,443	2,728	2,606

1/ Not reported separately prior to 1957. 2/ In dry and cold storage as reported by Bureau of Census. 3/ Government holdings are included in the totals and consist of reported stocks held by U.S.D.A., the Armed Services and other Government agencies. 4/ Not available.

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED - OCTOBER 1, 1960

On October 1, 1960, a total of 5,075,000 head of cattle and calves were on feed for market in the 26 major feeding States, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was an increase of 1 percent from the 5,001,000 head on feed in these States October 1, 1959, but was down seasonally from the 5,590,000 head on feed July 1 this year. The July 1 to October 1 decline for the 21 States with comparable 1959 data was 10 percent this year compared with 7 percent in 1959.

Larger numbers were on feed October 1 in 11 States, 1 State was unchanged and 14 States were down. Most of the increases in cattle feeding from a year earlier occurred in Western States.

The number of cattle and calves on feed October 1 in the 12 North Central States totaled 3,069,000 head--5 percent below the 3,215,000 head on October 1 last year. Iowa, the leading State, was unchanged from last year but Nebraska, the second ranking State in this region, was down 10 percent. Kansas, North Dakota, and Minnesota show the only gains in cattle feeding in the North Central States.

In the 11 Western States there were 1,703,000 head of cattle and calves on feed October 1 compared with 1,510,000 head last October--a 13 percent increase. California, which accounts for 45 percent of the cattle on feed in these Western States, had 20 percent more on feed and Colorado, the second ranking Western State, was up 18 percent. Idaho, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, and Oregon had fewer cattle on feed than a year earlier.

Cattle and calves placed on feed in the 21 States totaled 2,598,000 head in the July-September quarter, 2 percent less than in the same period of 1959. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into 8 Corn Belt States (for which data are available) during July and August this year were 17 percent below the same two months in 1959.

Fed cattle marketings during July, August, and September in the 21 States amounted to 3,135,000 head, 3 percent above the same period a year earlier. In the North Central States marketings were up 5 percent.

Beef steers and heifers (grading Prime, Choice and Good) sold out of first hands for slaughter at 12 major livestock markets during July, August, and September totaled 1 percent above the same 3 months in 1959. These data do not include direct sales to packing plants, mixed lots of steers and heifers, and some deliveries bought on prior contracts.

Of the cattle and calves on feed in the 26 States October 1, those weighing under 500 pounds were 6 percent of the total or the same as a year earlier; the number 500-699 pounds made up 19 percent on October 1 this year and 17 percent a year earlier; and the 700-899 pound group accounted for 35 and 34 percent, respectively. The number weighing 900-1,099 pounds at 33 percent compares with 35 percent a year earlier and those weighing 1,100 pounds and over amounted to 7 percent of the total, 1 percentage point less than last year.

A breakdown of the October 1 number on feed in the 26 States by weight groups shows larger numbers than a year earlier in the 500-699 and 700-899 pound groups but numbers in all other groups were down. The number weighing less than 500 pounds totaled 315,000 head on October 1, compared with 322,000 a year earlier--down 2 percent; the 500-699 pound groups amounted to 987,000 head--up 130,000 head, or 15 percent; and the 700-899 pound group at 1,752,000 head was up 52,000 head. The 900-1,099 pound group totaled 1,663,000 head--down 60,000 head or 3 percent; and the number weighing over 1,100 pounds at 358,000 head was down 41,000 head.

In the 26 States, 70 percent of the cattle and calves on feed October 1 were steers and steer calves, 29 percent were heifers and heifer calves, and 1 percent were cows and other. This is the same percentage breakdown as on July 1 this year and October 1 a year earlier.

In the 26 States, cattle and calves by length of time on feed as a percent of the total this year and last were: under 3 months, 52 and 54 percent; 3 to 6 months, 26 and 25 percent; and over 6 months, 22 and 21 percent.

Reports from cattle feeders in the 26 States indicate that they intend to market 59 percent of the October 1 number on feed during October, November, and December. This would be 2,993,000 head of fed cattle, 3 percent above the comparable marketings of 2,894,000 head during the fourth quarter of 1959. From this total of anticipated quarterly marketings, cattle feeders in the 26 States reported that they expected to sell 35 percent in October, 30 percent in November, and 35 percent in December.

CATTLE AND CALVES: INVENTORIES, PLACEMENTS AND MARKETINGS, JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30

Item	21 States 1/			26 States 2/	
	1959	1960		1960	
	Number	Number	% of 1959	Number	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	
Cattle and calves on feed, July 1	5,169	5,390	104	5,590	
Cattle and calves placed on feed July 1 - Sept. 30 3/	2,649	2,598	98	2,742	
Total fed cattle marketed July 1 - Sept. 30 3/	3,029	3,135	103	3,257	
Cattle and calves on feed, Oct. 1	4,789	4,853	101	5,075	

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- 1/ Includes 12 North Central States (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas) and Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and California.
2/ Includes 21 States in 1/ and Wyoming, New Mexico, Nevada, Washington and Oregon.
3/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

UNITED STATES FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGIONS
September 1960 - with comparisons
(Thousand head)

Region	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
N. Atlantic States	125	123	129	103	470	461	187	162
S. Atlantic States	49	39	47	29	284	277	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>
N. C. States - Eastern	299	263	158	132	1,184	1,235	102	91
N. C. States - N. West	568	482	52	47	2,043	2,356	371	349
N. C. States - S. West	183	182	20	20	458	672	70	98
S. Central States	205	151	80	58	430	445	155	136
Mountain States	127	103	2	2	99	88	239	146
Pacific States	226	197	25	23	198	232	198	195
Total	1,782	1,539	514	415	5,165	5,767	1,323	1,177

Other animals slaughtered under Federal inspection, (number of head): Sept. 1960 horses 4,458; goats 13,358; Sept. 1959, horses 6,256; goats 16,174. 1/ Not available for publication.

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